

I AM BARBARA GOING FROM GREAT FALLS, A CHRISTIAN, WIFE OF AN AUDIOLIST WITH WHOM I CO-OWNED A HEARING AID BUSINESS FOR 38 YEARS, WORKING WITH THE ELDERLY. WE ARE PARENTS OF 4 WHO LIVE ON THE WEST COAST, GRANDPARENTS AND I AM A "PARA-PROFESSIONAL VOLUNTEER.

HOW MANY ON THE COMMITTEE HAVE EXPERIENCED HAVING A LOVED ONE ON HOSPICE? IT IS THE BEST WAY TO SERVE THE TERMINALLY ILL. I LEARNED ABOUT HOSPICE 30 YEARS AGO AND KNEW WHEN I RETIRED I WOULD BE A VOLUNTEER. HOSPICE PROVIDES CARE FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY OF A TERMINALLY ILL PATIENT.

I AM HERE TO ASK YOU TO VOTE NO ~~E~~ TO SB220. LEGALIZING A.S. IN A STATE WHERE IT IS ALREADY A MAJOR CAUSE OF DEATH FURTHER DEVALUES LIFE. LAWS ARE MADE TO PROTECT PEOPLE - DO THE DYING NEED PROTECTION FROM LAW SUITS? PEOPLE WHO WANT TO DIE WILL "WILL" THEMSELVES TO GIVE UP - (STOP EATING) WE DO NOT NEED TO ASSIST THEM, WE NEED TO OFFER COMFORT AND COMPASSION! "HOSPICE" - FREE.

YOU HAVE ALL HEARD THE EXPRESSION - "LAWS WERE MADE TO BE BROKEN" - WELL THIS IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T PREVENT THIS BY VOTING NO TO SB220. DOCTORS, RELATIVES, LAWYERS WILL FIND A WAY TO GET AROUND THE WORDING IN THE BILL - "THAT'S THE SUPPLY SIDE" IF YOU OPEN THE DOOR TO LEGALIZE A.S.

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OUR GRANDCHILDREN LIVE IN OREGON AND
WASHINGTON, I RECENTLY SAID I WOULD HAVE A
HARD TIME MOVING THERE BECAUSE A.S. IS LEGAL.
OUR ELDEST SAID "MOM THAT WON'T AFFECT YOU -
BUT I AM NOT SO SURE."

WITH THE RATIONING OF HEALTH CARE THAT
IS ON ITS WAY THE DOCTORS WILL HAVE TO
MAKE THE CHOICE AS THEY CARE FOR THE ELDERLY.
I HAVE HEARD THE DOCTORS WILL RECEIVE MORE
GOVERNMENT FUNDS IF THEY CHOOSE THE LEAST
EXPENSIVE TREATMENT FOR THE AGING ILL. [I'M NOT
ILL YET, BUT I'M IN THAT GOLDEN AGE CATEGORY] -
"THE ONE WHO PAYS WILL HAVE THE POWER TO CHOOSE"
CAN YOU SEE THE DANGER IN MAKING THIS LEGAL?
PEOPLE WILL BE COERCED INTO CHOOSING TO TAKE
THEIR LIFE FOR THE GREATER GOOD OF SOCIETY
WE NEED TO VALUE THE LIFE WE HAVE BEEN
GIVEN UNTIL IT IS TAKEN NATURALLY. IN THIS
INSTANT GRATIFICATION SOCIETY PEOPLE WANT
RESULTS RIGHT NOW AND SUFFERING HAS
BECOME THE ENEMY.

VOTE NO on SB 220 TO PREVENT ANOTHER
MEASURE TO DEVALUE LIFE AND CAUSE MORE
HARM TO SOCIETY.